

The nationwide transition to DTV is not being held up by a lack of content. If digital movies were broadcast over HDTV today, nobody would watch them.

The real problem is that HDTV sets are still about 5x-10x the cost of regular TV sets. Who can afford a \$2000 television in a down economy? However, the prices are starting to drop rapidly and I expect that HDTV sets will be available for under \$500 within the next two to three years. Once that happens we will see widespread adoption of HDTV.

Given this situation, there is no valid argument for mandating a content control flag on digital TV broadcasts.